

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Deepak Tandon, et al.

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EXAMINER: Hendrickson, Stuart

FOR: "Thermally Modified Carbon Blacks for Various Type Applications and a Process for Producing Same"

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RESPONSE

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated April 6, 2007. A shortened statutory period was set to expire three months from the date of the Office Action making a response due by July 16, 2007. There are currently 36 claims pending in the case. Claims 4-7, 10-16 and 26-36 are withdrawn from consideration while claims 1-3, 8, 9 and 17-25 will remain in the case and are rejected. This response is being submitted in order to place the case in condition for allowance.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows: